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TAGS: MNUC AS OTRA (NYE, JOSEPH)
SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF JOSEPH NYE

1. ROY FERNANDEZ (FIRST ASSISTANT SECRETARY, NUCLEAR AFFAIRS DIVISION, DFA) CALLED EMBOFF LATE THIS AFTERNOON TO SAY PRIME MINISTER FRASER HAD HIMSELF ASKED FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO SEE NYE DURING THE LATTER'S FORTHCOMING VISIT TO AUSTRALIA. FRASER WILL NOT, HOWEVER, BE BACK IN CANBERRA FROM HIS CURRENT OVERSEAS TRIP UNTIL JUNE 21. DFA'S UNDERSTANDING IS THAT NYE PLANNED TO ARRIVE IN CANBERRA JUNE 19, STAYING ONLY 2 OR 3 DAYS. FERNANDEZ' SUGGESTION WAS THAT IF POSSIBLE, NYE CONSIDER ARRIVING ON THE 21ST, STAYING HERE THE 22ND AND 23RD SO A CONVENIENT TIME COULD BE WORKED OUT FOR MEETING BETWEEN NYE AND PM. ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE FOR NYE TO ARRIVE AT HIS CONVENIENCE, BUT BE AVAILABLE FOR SESSION WITH PM ON 22ND IF ONE COULD BE ARRANGED FOR THE DAY AFTER PM'S RETURN. PLEASE ADVISE.

2. DIFFERENT SUBJECT: FERNANDEZ ALSO SAID GOA WOULD BE VERY APPRECIATIVE IF IT COULD BE KEPT INFORMED ABOUT PROGRESS OF US-IRANIAN BILATERALS ON NUCLEAR SAFEGUARDS. GOA HAD HEARD THAT SIGNING OF A US-IRANIAN AGREEMENT
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MIGHT BE IMMINENT, BUT IN VIEW OF "PRESSURE TACTICS" IRANIANS HAD USED DURING IRANAIN-AUSTRALIAN BILATERALS, GOA WASN'T SURE HOW THINGS STOOD IN US-IRANIAN TALKS. PLEASE ADVISE.
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